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2 February 1982

NOTE TO: C/PCS/PGLO

VIA: C/LLD

FROM: C/HL/LLD/OEXA

SUBJECT: HPSCI Update Re Central American Presidential Finding

1. You will recall that on 8 December 1981 the Agency briefed the Full HPSCI Committee on the 1 December Presidential Finding re Central America. During the course of that hearing the DCI, with concurrence of the C/LA Division, agreed to update the Committee every two months on the progress under and details of the Finding. HPSCI Chief Counsel, Mike O'Neil, has notified us that the Full Committee would like that update on the morning of 9 February. No specific time has been set as of this writing. I will notify you immediately upon hearing the specifics as to time.

2. You will recall that the HPSCI staff and Members were particularly interested in this Finding [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Consequently, our briefers should be prepared to brief the Committee as to the details/specifics of that aspect of the Finding as well as cover the political front aspects. Recent press coverage as to training of Nicaraguan exiles within the U.S. should also be addressed. I'd appreciate your assistance in arranging for appropriate briefers to be made available on 9 February. Note: on 9 February we also are scheduled to brief HPSCI staff on "Proprietaries". I would appreciate a status report on the progress of assembling a briefing team to fulfill that Committee staff request.

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EA 82-0356

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Director, Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT: HPSCI Full Committee Update Re Central American Presidential Finding

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1. You may recall that on 8 December 1981, you briefed the Full House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) on the 1 December Presidential Finding re Central America. During the course of that hearing you, with the concurrence of the Chief/Latin American Division/DDO, agreed to update the Committee every two months on the progress under and the details of the Finding. The Chairman, Mr. Edward P. Boland (D., MA), via Committee Staff Director Tom Latimer, has notified us that the Full Committee would like that update at 10:00 a.m. on 10 February.

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2. In addition to the regular Committee Membership, we have been informed that Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill (D., MA) and House Minority Leader Robert Michel (R., IL) have an interest in this Finding and will be present at the update. The Committee itself is particularly interested in this Finding

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3. Given the interest and concern of the Members in this Finding, I recommend--if at all possible--that you personally do this first update with appropriate support from the LA Division.

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DDCI Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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Should there be a scheduling conflict, please advise as to whom you would like to handle this briefing. The Committee understands that you may not be able to do the briefing because of a conflict in your schedule. The only concern expressed by Tom Latimer is that the Committee get a detailed substantive briefing  The matter of who does the briefing is not at issue. Additionally, I would

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recommend that the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, Thomas Enders, be invited to accompany us at the witness table. While this is technically only an update briefing, the Members and particularly Messrs. O'Neill and Michel may raise policy questions which can best be addressed by State.  25X1

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4. A copy of the 8 December 1981 Full Committee briefing transcript is available through my Legislative Liaison Division and may be helpful in preparing for the update.  25X1

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Director, Office of External Affairs

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